State Government Committee 3

Amendment No. 3 to HB1804

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AMEND   Senate Bill No. 2473   House Bill No. 1804*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 6, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Licensing" means the procedure through which the privilege to engage in a specific profession or occupation is granted by a licensing authority;

(2) "Licensing authority" means an agency, examining board, credentialing board, or other entity with the authority to require a license and the payment of an occupational fee to engage in any profession or occupation; and

(3) "Occupational fee" means a fee or tax imposed by a licensing authority for the privilege of engaging in a profession or occupation.

(b) On and after July 1, 2018, no licensing authority of this state shall enter into or renew any contract with a lobbyist or a lobbying firm.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-301(15)(D), is amended by deleting the language "provided, however, that, if the board, utility" and substituting instead the language "provided, however, any employee of the executive branch of state government who engages in lobbying pursuant to subdivision (15)(A) with respect to legislative branch officials shall comply with the lobbying registration requirements of this part; if a board, utility".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-302(e), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

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Any employee of the executive branch of state government who engages in lobbying and is required to register shall not be subject to any fees for lobbyist registration or subject to the tax levied pursuant to § 67-4-1702(a)(1).

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.